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1. LIKE GENEVA, WE FEEL CERTAIN THAT GOR WILL BALK AT SUGGESTED NEGATIVE PHRASING, "NOT INCONSISTENT". ASSUREDLY GOR WILL ASK-- NOT ILLOGICALLY FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE--THAT IF ROMANIAN TARIFF IS "NOT INCONSISTENT" WHY COULD NOT RPT NOT REPORT OF WP STATE THAT "MODALITIES OF ROMANIAN TARIFF ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL AGREEMENT". EMB THEREFORE ASKS DEPARTMENT TO APPROVE THIS MORE POSITIVE FORMULATIONGP IF WE CANNOT ACCEPT "CONSISTENT", THEN EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE NON-SEMANTIC CLARIFICATION OF DIFFERENCE BETWEEN "CONSISTENT" AND "NOT INCONSISTENT", WHICH WE CAN USE IN DISCUSSIONS WITH GOR.

2. ALSO LIKE GENEVA WE BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE CONSIDERABLE MERIT IN OUR APPROACHING ROMANIANS BEFORE CONSULTATIONS WITH EC, PRE-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FERABLY ON BASIS OF ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE PROPOSED IN PARA 1.

INITIAL U.S. DEMARCHE HERE APPEARS TO OFFER TWO-FOLD ADVANTAGE OF
(1) MAKING CREDIBLE OUR PROFESSED DESIRE TO CONCLUDE WP ON MUTUALLY-
AGREEABLE BASIS AND (2) DISPELLING ROMANIAN MISIMPRESSION THAT US
AND EC POSITIONS IDENTICAL.
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